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## SUBSTITUTE BILL IS SATISFACTORY TO PROHIBITIONISTS

### Drug Stores Not to Handle Booze

### PEOPLE TO VOTE ON AMENDMENT NEXT FALL

The substitute for the McDonald and Clark "dry" resolutions reported yesterday by the senate committee on constitutional amendments and made a special order for 3 o'clock next Friday afternoon, is satisfactory to the Anti-Saloon league and the Submission Federation of New Mexico.

Dr. Randolph Cook, of Albuquerque, chairman of the former and president of the latter organization, who is now in Santa Fe, said as much today.

"It doesn't represent all we want," said Dr. Cook this afternoon, "but it is generally satisfactory to our organizations, and we believe it will be generally satisfactory to the people."

"We feel," said Rev. R. E. Farley, secretary of the Submission Federation, "that all those who favor prohibition in New Mexico should now get behind the committee substitute."

Both Dr. Cook and Mr. Farley feel confident that the substitute will be passed by the senate, and they hope to get it through the house.

Under the terms of the committee substitute, drug stores will be able to handle only grain alcohol for medicinal purposes, and physicians will be unable to prescribe alcoholic liquors, as the only exceptions apply to "denatured or wood alcohol, or grain alcohol, when intended and used for medicinal, mechanical or scientific purposes only, or wine when intended for sacramental purposes only."

The amendment proposed by the substitute provides against the "importation" of alcoholic liquors "for sale, barter or gift," and should it be adopted the railroads and express companies probably would take steps to protect themselves on shipments by requiring affidavits that the liquor carried was strictly for personal use. Unless such protective steps were taken, the carriers would be liable under the provisions of the Webb-Kenyon law.—New Mexican.

### Public School Honor Roll

#### Miss Alice Hoyland, Teacher

Filimon Perella	Bessie Mirabal
Berta Speckmann	Thelma Wood
Evelyn Orme	Shirley Copeland
Andy Scroggins	Pat Shaw

#### Mrs. Ruth C. McNeese

Ruby Scroggins	Agnes Teague
Ruth East	Nadean Waggoner
Jeff Shaw	Horald Scroggins
Henry Brown	Gladys Griffin

#### Mrs. J. E. Veal

Mike Shaw	Glenn Hollon
Mary Lee Colter	Gladys Baldwin
Johnnie Gentry	

#### High School

Rebecca Bryan	Lois Hollon
Marion McKinley	Ruby McKinley
James Bryan	Isabel Clark
Hazel Doyle	Vester Shaw

### En Lazos de Flores

El Miércoles, día 6 de Febrero, será celebrada en la capilla de Cienega, la ceremonia que unirá en lazos de flores la simpática señorita María Flores, hija de Don Jesús Flores y esposa de Cienega y el joven, Antonio Lopez, hijo de Don Higinio López y esposa de Manzano. Estos jóvenes pertenecen a las principales familias de sus lugares. Después de la ceremonia se dará una recepción en la casa de los padres de la novia, y en la noche del mismo día un baile en la casa de Don Andres Peralta en honor del enlace. Ofrecemos congratulaciones de antemano.

## ASSESSOR WILL BE HERE FEB. 5 and 6

### Property Owners Must Make Returns During Month

The assessor of Torrance County has announced that he will be in Mountainair, at the office of Chas. L. Burt February 8th and 9th, to receive returns of taxpayers in this vicinity. He will spend the 7th at Abo, at the store of Donaciano Aragon, the 5th at Cienega at the house of Pedro Lucero y Torres and the 6th at Punta at the house of Daniel Torres.

All property owners are required by law to make returns of property under their control not later than the last day of February, or it becomes the duty of the assessor to make such returns and add a penalty of 25 per cent. thereto.

An exemption of \$200 is allowed to a head of a family, bona fide resident of the county. It is necessary however, that this exemption be claimed at the time of making returns, and care should be taken to see that the blank therefor is filled in, before making affidavit to the returns.

### Many Visit Grand Canyon

While the steam railroad continues to be the favorite conveyance for long-distance travelers touring the Far West, lots of travelers chauffeur there by auto, regardless of tire troubles and longer time required. The Grand Canyon of Arizona was visited in 1916 by 31,358 persons. Of this number 26,229 came by rail on the Santa Fe and 5,129 by auto, for the most part stopping off en route to or from California.

Thirty-six states were on the auto list, as checked up at El Tovar garage, and four foreign countries. One auto party traveled all the way from China, another from England, a third from Hawaii and a fourth from Mexico. The outer fringes of Uncle Sam's domain were represented by Vermont, Louisiana, Minnesota and Oregon.

The mascots or pets carried by these enthusiasts of the open road comprised nearly the whole menagerie—dogs, cats, hens, monkeys, parrots, rabbits, roosters and squirrels. Ford machines were in the majority, but there were plenty of highest-priced cars, too.

Many were fitted up for every possible contingency, day or night, rain or shine. They were ingenious traveling homes for the whole Blank family, including Fido.

The Grand Canyon is open by rail all the year. Auto travel mainly is confined to the period from March to November. Arizona is noted for its excellent highways—the roads in the Canyon region are especially good.

### Lumber Yard Sold

The Orme Mercantile Company has purchased the lumber yards of the C. E. Goodner Lumber Company, including all material on hand. It will be continued under the name of The Orme Mercantile Company, with Lloyd Orme as manager. A complete line of building material will be handled, the entire output of several mills in the Manzano mountains north of Mountainair being contracted for. All not needed to supply local demand will be shipped to Albuquerque and other points where there is always a good demand.

### Aviso

El asesor del condado ha anunciado que será en La Cienega en la casa de Don Pedro Lucero y Torres el día 5 de Febrero para recibir las listas de propiedad para fines de tasación. El día 6 será en la casa de Don Daniel Torres de Punta, el día 7 en la tienda de Donaciano Aragon en Abo, los días 8 y 9 en la oficina de Chas. L. Burt en Mountainair, y el día 10 en la casa de Gil Perea en el precinto de Jaramillo.

## COMMERCIAL CLUB MEETS SATURDAY NIGHT AT 7:30

Every businessman and farmer in Mountainair and vicinity is urged to attend the meeting of the Commercial Club on Saturday night. The matter of incorporation of Mountainair as a village, the report of the committee as to probable cost of a water system (which is expected at this meeting) and other matters of vital importance to the future of Mountainair will be before the meeting. Every live one interested in seeing the town progress should make it a point to attend. If you do not attend, don't blame those who do for doing something that may not exactly suit you.

## THINGS OF INTEREST FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

### Cedar Grove

Roy Adams has been on the sick list the past week.

Mr. Stroud and family spent Sunday with Luther Morris and family.

Mr. J. O. Coffey and wife spent Sunday with Mr. Riddells and family.

Mr. Jess Shaw and daughter Iola, visited in the Furman home Saturday.

Mrs. Arnett and daughter, Fairy called on Mrs. William Medley Saturday.

E. Adcock, wife and daughter spent Sunday with E. D. Arnett and family.

Mr. Brock, from Roswell, N. M. is here visiting his daughter, Mrs. Ira Bruce.

Rev. Perkins and wife ate dinner with Mr. Hall and wife, in the Round Top vicinity, Sunday.

Mr. Frank Carson, wife and babies, from near town spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Furman.

Rufus Sellers, left last Saturday for Missouri to be at the bed side of his mother, who is very sick.

John Meyer, returned to Arizona Monday, after a few days visit, with relatives and friends here.

Mr. E. Adcock left Monday, for Oklahoma, to be with his son Charles, who is very sick with pneumonia.

Several of the farmers, are taking advantage of the warm weather the past few days, and are busy with their plowing.

### South Mesa

Mr. Ernest Davis took a homestead near the reserve.

Master Kenneth Condrey has been quite ill, with a severe cold.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Condrey were in Mountainair shopping Thursday.

Miss Hazel Gott, sister of Mrs. Don Stewart is here from Oklahoma visiting.

Mr. Berl Brown has bought Mr. Jim Joyner's farm and will move on it in a few days.

The South Mesa school is progressing nicely, with good attendance inspite of the cold weather.

The baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Meyer is just recovering from a very serious attack of pneumonia.

The brother-in-law of Mr. Ivan Greg is here looking at land, he intends to file if he finds a place suitable.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Stewart and the Misses Fairy Arnett and Hazel Gott spend a very pleasant evening in the home of Lizar's several evenings ago.

### Liberty Point

Snow most all gone.

Several are on the grip list.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. A. J. Fuller is again up after a spell of sickness.

Mr. Shewmake's house is nearing completion and will soon be ready for occupancy.

Mr. Ferguson of the Roundtop settlement was in our midst last Friday after bean hulls.

Rev. W. D. Garrison failed to fill his appointment Sunday at the Mesa school house, on account of the grip.

Mrs. J. T. Hodgkin and Baby Eva of Roundtop visited her mother, Mrs. W. D. Garrison and family Monday, remaining till Tuesday, and taking her mother home with her for a few days visit.

Mrs. Garrison is very feeble and is not able to do anything. Mrs. Garrison would like to have a girl of about twelve years of age or up to stay with them as one of the family or for a reasonable compensation. There are only two in the family. Anyone interested should apply to W. D. Garrison or to the Independent.

### Died

An invalid daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwards on January 26th, aged about five years. She was an invalid all her life, and could neither walk nor talk, caused we understand by sickness early in life. We can only be submissive to Him who rules all things and say to the bereaved parents and relatives to look beyond and prepare to meet her over yonder where there will be no parting, for the Saviour said "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

She was gently laid to rest Saturday in the Cedar Grove Cemetery.

—A Friend.

### Pleasant View

Mrs. Bruner is reported suffering with Asthma.

V. B. Manning and lady had business in Mountainair Monday.

Mr. Lee from Round Top was a visitor in this section Friday.

G. M. Waggoner did business in Mountainair Saturday for himself and neighbors.

Mrs. Leonard and Mrs. W. W. Manning have been on the Lagrippe list the past week.

Mr. Osborn of Round Top, visited over night Thursday in the Batchelor Stark home.

Mrs. Riddle who has been sick for some time is able to be about her house

## REPORT OF LOCAL WEATHER OBSERVER

### Daily Maximum and Minimum Temperature of Week

We have been requested to publish data regarding the weather, as reported by the local observer of the U. S. Weather Bureau. In the future we will give the Maximum and Minimum temperature each day, for the week preceding, and such data regarding the precipitation as is at hand.

Following is the report for the week ending yesterday:

Jan.	Max.	Min.	Range	Character of day
25	87	22	15	Clear
26	46	30	16	"
27	48	32	16	"
28	47	32	15	"
29	50	36	14	"
30	55	33	22	"
31	48	40	8	"

### Real Estate Transfers

Polito Benavides to Donaciano Aragon, nw 1/4 sec 29, 3, 6.

J. J. White et ux to Robert G. Culbertson, lots 1 and 2, w 1/2 ne 1/4 sec 31, 4, 7.

Clem Shaffer et ux to Giles G. Imboden, ne 1/4 sec 24, 5, 6.

B. L. Mitchell et ux to Sallie Fulton, lots 11 and 12 block 18, Mountainair.

I. A. Pelham et ux to William R. Walden, se 1/4 sec 21, 4, 6.

John L. Snider to William R. Walden, s 1/2 ne 1/4 and n 1/2 sec 13, 4, 6.

### Finds New Vein

Word comes to us that Operator Cleghorn of Scholle has discovered a rich vein of ore just underneath the grass, and practically on top of the ground along side the railroad right-of-way, where the public road crosses the railroad. The ore is claimed to be as rich as any yet found in the Scholle district, and can be handled with greater ease than any of the other properties.

### Changes Management

Hotel Abo, which has been in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Payne for almost a year, has been sold to Mrs. Lucy A. Tyson, who will take complete charge of this popular hostelry in the very near future. The new owner comes from Tolar and without doubt will make good in the new venture.

Hotel Abo has enjoyed a good patronage and we predict a continuation of the same under the new management.

J. B. Woodall of Estancia was in Mountainair on business this morning, hold duties again.

Messrs. Haynes and Brown of Eastland, Texas, are visiting with Mr. Owen this week. These are more home-seekers.

Lee Briggs was a pleasant caller at school Thursday afternoon. We are glad to have you come and inspect our work. Come again.

J. R. Snider from the Coulter ranch near town visited over Saturday night in the G. M. Waggoner home, and also attended Sunday School.

Mr. Denicy and son returned to their home last Wednesday at House, New Mexico, after having moved Mr. Whitehead and family to this section.

Messrs. John Owen, W. W. Manning, J. M. Raney and W. N. Walpole were in the city of Willard Saturday. They report the men folks were lined up at the land office filing on that "said home land" for Sallie and the babies.

Miss Viola Owen was thrown from her horse last week, when it became frightened at a train. Her foot was hung in the stirrup, and had it not have been for part of the shoe giving away, it probably would have been serious.

## BANK FIXTURES ARRIVE AND ARE IN PLACE

### Three-ton Safe to Protect Deposits

### BUSINESS UNDER WAY AS IN OLD INSTITUTION

The safe, vault door and fixtures of the Mountainair State Bank arrived last Saturday night and have been placed in position, giving the bank a business appearance and giving the bankers an opportunity of doing business. The equipment is of the latest design and model, the safe itself being "burglar proof," guaranteed against blowing open under seventy-two hours drilling. The safe alone weighs a little over 6,000 pounds. The vault door has been placed in position and the vault is about completed, the vault being large and roomy with stone walls twelve inches thick.

The bank has one of the latest Burroughs adding and posting machines, which not only performs all the computations necessary in the day's work of banking, but automatically posts the daily balance, the deductions for checks paid, the addition of deposits and the daily balance or overdraft as the case may be. In case of overdraft that fact is noted by the letters "O D" being added in red ink. Taken altogether the equipment is equal to that of the best city banks, and is above the average of that usually used in banks of towns much larger than this.

That the people are showing their appreciation of the local institution is shown by the number and size of the deposits. At the close of the first week, the deposits, exclusive of checks paid during the first week, showed a balance of about \$11,000.

### Women Wanted

Dr. Charles E. Lukens, superintendent of the Childrens Home at Albuquerque is desirous of getting in communication with two or three good sensible, motherly women, to assist in the work at the home. He says: "the work is not hard or difficult, but we want a woman who will conscientiously labor for the pay we give. We pay twenty to thirty dollars a month, depending on the capability of the woman. A widow who has raised children is preferred." Anyone desiring further information should address the doctor at Albuquerque, N. M.

John Dils was called to Belen the last of last week by a message announcing the serious illness of Mrs. Dils, suffering from neuralgia of the heart. He left her much improved, returning to the ranch near Abo the first of the week.

W. B. Failes the driller, was up from Scholle Wednesday on business. He will move his drill back to the Orme claims and continue prospect work there this week. He reports the shaft on the Kathleen property as in rock bearing traces of copper, gold and silver.

Rev. H. A. Bassett, D. D., president of the Albuquerque College for Spanish-speaking Boys, came in Sunday morning and preached at the Chapel at eleven o'clock. He found all the hotels full, and was without a bed, until he located the Independent office and was provided a bunk there.

J. A. Copeland went over to Albuquerque Sunday to visit Mrs. Copeland, who is in the hospital there. He found her improving nicely, and expects that sometime early next week she will be able to return home. The Copeland baby, which has also been quite ill, is well on the road to recovery.